

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2088 - HB 2461

June 2, 2020

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires each local education agency (LEA) and public charter school to designate a child abuse coordinator and an alternate child abuse coordinator for each school within the LEA and public charter school. Requires each LEA and each public charter school to ensure all school officials and other school personnel annually complete the child abuse training program. Establishes procedures for personnel to adhere to following the disclosure, discovery, or suspicion of child abuse or child sexual abuse.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (017906): Deletes all language after the enacting clause and rewrites the bill such that the only substantive changes are to: specify that a designated coordinator is not required in certain circumstances; revise the guidelines for how school personnel and officials handle child abuse or child sexual abuse disclosures; and change the effective date from July 1, 2020 to August 1, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- LEAs and public charter schools will be able to comply with the proposed legislation within existing resources.
- LEAs and public charter schools will be able to amend their policies in accordance with the provisions of this legislation during the normal course of business; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- No significant impact to state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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